TRANSMITTAL LETTER Docket: ACM 3027 P1US pplication of: James John SCHMITT et al. Group Art Unit: Serial No.: 10/582,451 Examiner: Int'l Application No.: PCT/EP2004/014017 Int'l Filing Date: December 8, 2004 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being For: PROCESS FOR PORDUCING IRON ORE deposited with the United States Postal Service as AGGLOMERATES WITH USE OF SODIUM First-Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, SILICATE CONTAINING BINDER Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Commissioner for Patents September 6, 2006 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Christina Cangelos Sir: ⊠Transmitted herewith find the document(s) related to this application. TRANSMITTAL LETTER IN DUPLICATE; INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; PTO-1449 FORM; DOCUMENTS (8); CERTIFICATE OF MAILING; AND POST CARD.

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of: ☐ One Month (\$120.00) ☐ Two Months (\$450.00) ☐ Three Months (\$1020.00) ☐ Four Months (\$1590.00)

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Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.56, applicants submit the documents attached hereto. Pursuant to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, OG Notice 05 August 2003, applicants have excluded copies of the five (5) U.S. patent documents. All documents are to be made of record in the above-identified case. A listing of said documents on form PTO-1449 is also attached.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the date of entry into the U.S. National stage; therefore, no filing fee is believed to be required. If a filing fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge applicants' deposit account 01-1350 for the full amount of said fee.

A copy of the International Search Report dated March 9, 2005 is enclosed

herewith.

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Japanese Patent Application No. JP 54-117313 is not in the English language,

however, applicants submit herewith the Derwent Abstract.

Japanese Patent Application No. JP 54-117321 is not in the English language,

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Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Patent Application No. SU 1198128 A is not

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This statement is not intended to represent that no better art exists. Applicants

reserve the right to contest the applicability of the documents attached hereto as prior art

in the event that any information is discovered which demonstrates that said documents

do not qualify as prior art.

Consideration of the present Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully

requested. The claimed invention is, however, deemed to represent a patentable

departure from the teachings of the prior art.

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